

Match and Olympiad continue

Even competing without two best players of the planet — Anatoly Karpov and Gari Kasparov, who continue their moratorium contention for the "crown" in Moscow, the USSR men's team is doing creditably in the Greek town of Salonic.

In the first three rounds they lost not half a point, something that no other of the 87 teams has done.

The USSR squad features Alexander Belyavsky, Lev Polugayevsky, Rafael Vaganian, Vladimir Tukmakov, Arton Yusupov and Andrei Sokolov (the last two are substitute players).

In the first round the first line-up beat Malta 4-0, and the same late Iceland at the hands of Vaganian, Tukmakov, Yusupov and Sokolov.

While the opponents were fairly middling in the first two rounds, in the third the USSR faced a formidable Hungarian squad — and still beat them 4-0. Belyavsky outplayed renowned Lajos Portisch, Polugayevsky did the same to Zoltan Rudi, Vaganian beat Andras

Adorjan, and Yusupov prevailed over Gyula Sax.

With 12 points the USSR leads the standings after three rounds (altogether 14 will be played), a point ahead of Britain, Iceland and Iceland are level at 9.5 (one game adjourned), Romania and West Germany have 0.5 points each. Yugoslavia has nine, and Hungary — 7.

The USSR women's team is doing well, too. At the start the first line-up of Maya Chiburdanidze, Irina Levitina and Nona Caprindashvili beat Italy 3-0 and Canada 2-1. The only point in the second match was scored by substitute, Lydia Senyonova, while Chiburdanidze and Levitina drew their games. Next the USSR beat Spain 2.5-0.5.

The standings are led by China closely followed by the USSR. In the Moscow Karpov-Kasparov match another two games were drawn this past week, adding the total draws number to 22, of them 17 in succession. Karpov still leads 4-0.

Viktor BABIKIN, chess observer

Zenit for the first time

The 47th national football championship is over, marking the only game left to play between Moscow Spartak and the Red Army club. For the first time the gold awards will go to Leningrad Zenit, which is the 11th national title. Spartak came second and last-year winners Dnepropetrovsk Dnepr third.

Specialists stress that national football has undergone certain changes for the better, with better scoring results. As a consequence all four Soviet clubs continue in the European cups.

Our win is an all-time achievement, said Zenit head coach Pavel Sadayin. There was reliable performance from goalie Mikhail Biryukov as well as defenders Vladimir Dolgoplov, Anatoly Davydov, and Alexei Stepanov. For midfielder Valery

Junior world championship in USSR

The 1985 world football junior championship will be held in the USSR, as ruled by FIFA.

Taking part will be 16 top national teams determined on the results of the junior championships of continental federations affiliated in FIFA. The hosts USSR qualify automatically.

For passes to world championship

17 European nations are vying for six passes to the finals of the men's world basketball championship to be held in Spain in 1986. They will compete in four elimination groups on a paired-off basis. One game will be played at home and the other away.

In the first meets world ex-champions Yugoslavia beat Belgium in Brussels 89-72, while in Amsterdam Holland defeated Hungary 67-54.

Only the defending titlist the USSR and Spain (hosts) have been spared the elimination games. Altogether 24 teams will fight it out in the finals.



CAC leads in the national women's basketball championship.

In a recent game (photo) Riga TTT drubbed Sverdlovsk Uralsk 83-57.

Photo by Sergei Proskov

An unsuccessful start

We have already written of the unsuccessful start of the Soviet team in the 21st European rugby championship. In the Italian town of L'Aquila they lost to the hosts 12-13.

In the first half the advantage of the Soviet team was immense. They made better passes on the flanks and were faster with the ball. In the second half Italy's top scorer Bettarello, who scored all the points for his team, simplified his team's play. Instead of playing ball with his hand, he began to transfer play to the Soviet side of the pitch with knife-flick leg passes, and in

USSR-Canada: sports links grow

A memorandum on mutual understanding and principles of cooperation in sports between the USSR and Canada was recently signed in Ottawa.

It is the third renewal of the 1971 bilateral agreement in sports and it envisages participation by teams and individual athletes in bilateral and multilateral meets in the USSR and Canada, as well as exchange of skilled coaches, etc. It will be effective till 1988.

The memorandum was signed

by the USSR Ambassador to Canada, Alexei Rodionov, and Canada's state minister for physical culture and amateur sports, O. Jellinek.

In his address the minister said that Canada was happy to develop sports links with the Soviet Union whose athletes are among the best in the world. He saw the memorandum as an important step towards strengthening friendship and cooperation between the two nations.

EIGHT ASPIRANTS TO FIVE PLACES

The closer the interim finish in the national ice-hockey top division championship, coaxed by the Soviet team's participation in the annual "Izvestia" tournament in December and clubs' attendance of various New Year international tournaments, the keener competition in the championship. December 1 will see the closing round of the first part of the championship, which determines

the top eight aspirants to the playoffs.

After 19 rounds only three teams have seven up berths in the coveted top eight—Moscow Dynamo, the Central Army Club and Khimik — while eight aspirants are still in the fight on the first five spots and so the competition is still intense. Whoever could predict, for instance, that leaders Moscow Dynamo would have difficulty drawing 3-3 with Moscow Spartak, which is in dire straits in the league.

Apart from the contenders for the top eight, players are yet to fight for the national berths for sports on the national level. According to specialists, a few feature new all-star teams and defense pairs. After Vladimir Petrov left competitive sport for the USSR, Moscow Dynamo's goalie Vladimir Myshkin stepped into his boots, while his probable helpers are going below par. The Dynamo trio of Sergei A. Senyonov and Yashin is excellent and outplaying the national team and CAC leaders in the past four years. Matsen, Litvinov and Kharin.

So national team coaches Viktor Tikhonov and Vladimir Voronov have much food for thought in forming their team.

Boris MIKHAILOV



Rugby is gaining ground in the USSR, as our national team is providing serious opposition to top world teams. But a really good team should have good reserves, and so our children's teams compete in various tournaments. These photos by Andrei Knyazev show children who attended a tournament which drew teams from nine cities.



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Soviet-Austrian talks

Talks have been held in the Kremlin between Chairman of the USSR Council of Ministers Nikolai Tikhonov and Federal Chancellor of Austria Fred Sinowatz.

The aides stated that relations between the USSR and Austria are stable and dynamic. The existing agreements, primarily a long-term programme for expanding and strengthening economic, scientific, technical and industrial cooperation till 1990, are being successfully

implemented.

The aides agreed to study the question of renewing and expanding the programme up to 1995, as well as renewing the May 30, 1975 Agreement on Trade and Payments between the USSR and Austria.

Nikolai Tikhonov stated during the talks that the Soviet Union had been and would be doing its best to resolve the key issue of today — the elimination of the threat of nuclear war. He elaborated on the essence of

the Soviet proposals aimed at achieving this goal. The importance of the Soviet initiative that resulted in the USSR and the USA agreeing to enter into new talks on nuclear and space weapons, was also underlined.

During his visit Fred Sinowatz attended the commissioning of the steel works built by Soviet organizations in conjunction with the Austrian government-owned industrial concern Voest Alpine and with the participation of the Italian Danieli firm.

'FRIENDSHIP TESTED BY TIME'

New Delhi. A conference of Indian-Soviet friendship, devoted to the approaching 40th anniversary of the Soviet people's victory in the Great Patriotic War, has been held in Ranchi, Bihar, under the motto "Friendship Tested by Time". The USSR's historic victory not only saved mankind from fascist plague, but also changed the complexion of forces in the world arena, created conditions for disintegration of the colonial system, participants in the conference stressed to them.

Soviet-Indian friendship is particularly important now when the tensions to the world sharply heightened through the fault of imperialist forces, stressed Gopal Prasad, Professor of the Manipal University. At a time when the USA and its partners unleashed the nuclear arms race, leading to spread of nuclear war, and are obsessed by the idea of establishing imperialism's dominion on the planet, the Soviet Union and India consistently advocate détente and peace out against confrontation policy, the speaker said.

The March of West Europeans for Peace has ended in Washington. Taking part were anti-war activists from the FRG, Britain, France, Denmark, Sweden, Switzerland and several other West European countries, as well as American peace supporters who later joined them.



● The picture shows European peace fighters in Washington.

International lawyers condemn Pentagon

Brussels. The International Association of Democratic Lawyers which has its Headquarters in Brussels has condemned the Pentagon for testing highly toxic agents as a result of which more than seven thousand people died, two Indian tribes were

THE PLAN IS LAW

The State Plan for the Economic and Social Development for 1985, the fulfillment of the plan for 1984, the State Budget for 1985 and the execution of the budget for 1983—such are the items on the agenda of the 2nd session of the USSR Supreme Soviet of 11th convocation.

The compilation of state plans and budgets which is a long and complex process involves millions of people at different stages. However, only the 1,500 deputies to the supreme organ of power in our country have the authority to impact the force of law, by which the entire country will live and work for a whole year.

The 1985 plan and budget contains similar features to their predecessors and some that are substantially different.

As before they provide for an increase in production and well-being, for the improvement of economic proportions and full employment of all the able-bodied population, for development without crises or inflation and for the expansion of all social programmes.



A group of the deputies who are participating in the session of the USSR Supreme Soviet of the Grand Kremlin Palace.

What is new? The plan envisages higher growth rates in production and well-being than before and a more resolute switch-over to intensive development tactics — it has been decided to obtain 95 per cent of the increment in industrial output through raising labour productivity, to step up the technical re-equipment of production, to make the norms for the consumption of raw and other materials stricter, etc.

Each rouble saved will be used to fulfill the social programmes in addition to the means allocated for this purpose in the budget.

Red-letter dates in Mongolia's life

The Central Committee of the CPSU, the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet and the Council of Ministers of the USSR congratulated the leaders and the working people of Mongolia on the 60th anniversary of the People's Revolutionary Party and the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of the Mongolian People's Republic.

The telegram of greetings notes that the achievements of present-day Mongolia and its striving towards new advances are one of the key factors of the further consolidation of the world of the political and economic

positions of the socialist community. The persistent efforts of the MPRP and the Mongolian people's state aimed at further cementing unity, perfecting the bilateral and multilateral cooperation of the fraternal countries, and raising socialist economic integration to a new level, warrant deep respect.

A meeting was held in Ulaanbaatar on the occasion of the two significant dates. It was attended by a Soviet Party and government delegation, headed by Viktor Grishin, Member of the Politbureau of the CPSU Central Committee, First Secretary of the CPSU Moscow City Committee.

FACTS and EVENTS

● The participants in a Japanese public symposium in Tokyo have spoken in favour of a more mutually beneficial cooperation between Japan and the USSR, as well as greater understanding and trust between the people of the two countries. The meeting, timed to coincide with the 35th anniversary of the Japanese-Soviet Friendship Society, was held under the motto, "For peace and friendship between the peoples of the USSR and Japan, for world peace in a nuclear age".

● Concern and regret has been expressed by official Paris following the decision taken by Britain to review its withdrawal from UNESCO at the end of 1985. An official spokesman for the External Relations Ministry has said that France still hopes that Britain will revise its decision.

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The Moskva River and housing blocks near the Kiev railway station look marvellous in the evening light.

ENTERTAINMENT

Peace Dove flies back to Leipzig

More than twenty years ago, with the consent of its creator Pablo Picasso, the world-famous Peace Dove became the emblem of international film festivals in Leipzig. Their motto, "World films—for world peace", attracts famous directors of documentaries from all continents.

This year our country is represented on the jury of this important concern by Genrikh Litovsk, a writer and publicist.

The Soviet programme is varied and includes full-length documentaries such as "Mikhail Zhukov, Pages From Biography", "Who Threatens Peace?", "House-warming", briefs like "Compassion", "Non-Typical Men", and a cartoon — "The Rain Will Be Tender".

'THE CONTRACT OF THE CENTURY': A POLITICAL CHRONICLE

The two-part feature film, "The Contract of the Century", will remind cinema audiences about one of the biggest international agreements of our times. Its filming has been started by director Alexander Miratov, of the Lenfilm studios in Leningrad.

This film is based on the actual events at the early 80s when a contract was signed for the deliveries of Soviet gas to Western Europe, says Miratov. The filming crew have an exciting task to translate this dramatic story into the language of cinema and to show a clash of views, characters and ideologies.

At present, the crew are choosing the sites for the filming from

the zone of the pipeline to the West German city of Essen where our delegation had its talks.

In each film, Miratov notes, it is important for me to capture and record the "social mood" of the present day and the involvement of each person in the development of the film. It provides a wealth of material for us to think over the problems of the modern world. This is not simply a matter of a concrete development, whatever its scale. Essentially, this reflects the characteristic trend of the present day — an arduous road towards dialogue between the two worlds on which depends the future of our planet.

At present, the crew are choosing the sites for the filming from

April, in the sacredness of the light against the enemy.

My characters do not resort to verbal declarations on how dearly they love their motherland, or on their duty. Their patriotism is as natural as breath.

Yet, people did not only fight. They simply lived, thought about life and death, good and evil, love and duty. This wholeness of their existence stemmed from their preserved humanity in the face of inhumanity personified by fascism.

Q: The weekly "Literaturnaya Gazeta" noted the "precise knowledge of the spirit of the times, and its day-for-day cruelties" which are evident in your novels. However, many feel surprised that this was done by someone who by the time the war broke was only seven years old.

A: I do not think this is cause for surprise. The war made me grow up all too soon. With my own eyes I saw the invaders burn old people and children alive, set Alsatians dogs against Soviet prisoners and roamed up young people and send them to Germany as slaves. Still in my memory are the gibbets used for executing those who would not surrender.

I remember the huts in my native village. There is no family which did not lose two, three or four of its members. Some families simply ceased to exist. We then did not know anything about the German "Der Ost" plan which was not



A cellist gets the 'Golden Harp' prize

The 14th International contests of cellists has ended in Belgrade.

Three of the six prizes were awarded to Soviet musicians. The 1st prize went to Kirill Rodin, a student at the Moscow Tchaikovsky Conservatory. The second to Mikhail Leshchenko, a student at the Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatory in Leningrad. The third to Igor Kirichenko, a post-graduate at the Moscow Gnessin Institute.

The contests in Yugoslavia, which are held once every six years, have a fine tradition of awarding listener prizes. A special jury is elected for the purpose.

Alan, the folk dance ensemble of North Ossetia, have premiered a new work, "Ossetia", at the Central Concert Hall in Moscow. Svetlana Adyrkhaeva, a ballerina from the Bolshoi Theatre, a mountain dweller who was "kidnapped" by the Bolshoi, took part. You can see her in this picture taken by Andrei Stapanov. Alan are well known. Their comprehensive Moscow programme was prepared specially for the Days of Northern Ossetia Literature and Art held in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the Autonomous Republic. Another feature of the Days is a big exhibition of paintings, drawings, films of sculpture and theatre sets. The exhibition is open in Kuznetsovskiy Most St.



● S. Tsvetkov. "A Moscow Dweller".

IT IS OPERA NOW

At the Grand Hall of Moscow Conservatoire the Muscovites have heard an opera, "Sessa" by Handel, one of the 44 compositions in the genre written by the great composer.

For many years now, the Conservatoire has been producing a monumental series under the

title, "Historical Concerts". Professor G. Tsvetkov is the director of the Vocal Faculty of the Conservatoire. They are dedicated to the various genres of the musical art and they are growing numbers of interest.

As part of this cycle this year we begin a new series of programmes whose aim is to give our audiences an idea of the history of the operatic art. To begin with, we have chosen opera "Sessa" by Handel, whose 300th anniversary is celebrated soon.

In the future we plan to perform operas "The Marriage of Figaro" by Mozart and "The Idiot" by Tchaikovsky.

Particular importance in it will be our work on the production of "Eugene Onegin" by Tchaikovsky who, as is known, wrote it so that it could be performed by students of the Conservatoire.

Unknown portraits of Turgenev

Copies of drawings of young Ivan Turgenev have been sent to the museum of the great Russian writer in the town of Orei, by a Slavic scholar, Professor P. H. Waddington of Wellington University. The interest in the drawings is quite understandable. The fact is that

the greater part of portraits of Turgenev dates back to the second period of his life and only a few poetry and photographs (daguerotypes) give a fairly complete idea of the image of Turgenev.

WHAT'S ON!

November 27-30

THEATRES

Kremlo Palace of Congresses (Kremlo). Bolshoi Theatre performances: 27—Prokofiev, "War and Peace" (opera), 28—Gladkov, "The Little Prince" (ballet), 30—Verdi, "Don Carlos" (opera).

Bolshoi Theatre (Sverdlov Sq.). 27—Shchedrin, "The Sea Gull" (ballet), 28, 29—Vagner, "Das Rheingold" (opera), 30—Adam, "Glaube" (ballet).

Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theatre (17 Puskhinskaya St.). 27—An evening with Lydia Chernykh. 28—Tchaikovsky, "The Snow Maiden" (ballet). 29—Tchaikovsky, "Swan Lake" (ballet). 30—Rimsky-Korsakov, "May Night" (opera).

Operetta Theatre (6 Puskhinskaya St.). 27—Strauss, "Loch Liva the Waltz". 28—Gladkov, "The Elder Son" (opera performed by the Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theatre). 29—Kaiman, "The Gypsy Princess". 30 (mat)—Ziv, "The Seven Soldiers". 30 (eve)—Ziv, "Moscovites Artists".

FILMS

Week of French Films. Cinema: "Udarnik" (2 Sci-movies). Metro: "Miroslav". Spartacus (USA, 2 parts). An historical film about Spartacus.

Cinema: "Kosmos" (100 Part). Metro: "Vostok". Legend of Love (USSR). Based on the old legend of a girl who fell in love with a man and a girl.

Cinema: "Otkrytiye" (40 Part). Metro: "Kosmos". "Rossiya" (12 Puskhinskaya St.). Exhibition Hall, RSFSR Art Union (466 Gorky St.). An exhibition of works submitted for the 11th All-Union Exhibition. The exhibition is open in Kuznetsovskiy Most St.

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BUSINESS

Testexpo: old hats and high technology

We wished in the least to come to Moscow with old hats, though they are still fashionable, says Peter Penhans, president of the Association of West German Material Testers Maatschappij (ADAV) which sponsored the current Testexpo-84 exhibition in Moscow. The ADAV president meant that at the present exhibition, they decided to go away with traditional symposiums do not appear in the field every year, especially those which are worth being reported to knowledgeable Soviet

specialists. Yet we have something in store for them".

Testexpo-84 is the fifth exhibition of its kind in Moscow. Various testing systems and instruments are being shown by 13 West German and West Berlin companies. On show are general-purpose testers, industrial X-ray systems, ultrasonic instruments for non-destructive testing, spring testers, vibro strength testers, magneto-electric flow detectors, etc. West German testing equipment sales to the USSR run into millions of DM.

SISTEMOTRONIKA-84

Such an exhibition has been arranged in Moscow by the Novaya Rossiya (FRG) with the assistance of V/O Expostest.

About 250 firms, enterprises and organizations from Australia, Austria, Belgium, Britain, Italy, the Netherlands, Finland, France, the FRG, Switzerland and Japan display numerous exhibits speed-up and automating the handling of the text and mail, means of photography (duplicators, reducing machines, telecopying, etc.), equipment for micro-filming, machines, apparatuses and systems for collecting and

processing data, equipment for offices, sets of stationary, attachments instruments and devices for drawing.

On display are also special materials and equipment to put out electronic components of articles, computing techniques and production process control systems.

In the section "Quantum and cryogenic electronics" experts and visitors become acquainted with various types of lasers, instruments and outfits based on holographic processes.

Growing goods turnover

The session of Intergovernmental Soviet-Danish commission on economic, scientific and technical cooperation in Moscow discussed business contacts between the two countries.

Good turnover between the USSR and Denmark will grow this year compared with 1983 and will exceed 400 million rubles.

Soviet exports to Denmark include cars, tractors, metal-cutting machine tools and other equipment; oil and oil products, sawn timber and other goods.

From Denmark the USSR will import various equipment for the food industry, medical instruments and apparatuses, ships and equipment for them, as well as different agricultural products.

Energy project for Angola

In Luanda, a tripartite agreement was signed between Angola, Brazil and the Soviet Union on the construction in Angola, in the province of Molange, of a hydroelectric project, Kapanza. This project, the biggest in the

history of independent Angola, the ANGOP news agency reports, will double the republic's energy capacity and make it possible to irrigate vast areas of farmland.



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MISS EUROPE AT A MOSCOW SHOW

Miss Europe-83 and Miss Europe-84 were modelling graceful sheath and suede coats, jackets and other goods on the stage of Moscow's World Trade Centre. Both Turkish models, who were lucky enough to be considered the most charming representatives of fair sex in Europe, demonstrated to Soviet experts the clothing made by the Turkish firm Fermal. This festive show preceded a rather serious commercial get-together between businessmen from both countries, sponsored by the Turkish trading firm Izdes, Export Corp. and V/O Sovintecna.

As Ali Shen, President and joint owner of Fermal, put it, the company was set up especially for the promotion of contacts with the Soviet Union as one of the main goals of the association of the Maza Deri and the Hayvan Mahalleri Sanayi company, our factory which is tanning sheepskin, suede, kid and other hides

and skins in the second biggest enterprise of this kind in Europe. Besides this, we are designing and making ready-made clothes. For quite a long time the firm has been delivering its products to the USSR.

A trade agreement was signed between the Soviet Union and Turkey this September. Under it, and also proceeding from the requirements of Soviet organizations, we decided to arrange a show of our models and an

exhibition-selection of goods. All the articles, the samples of which were shown here with some be on sale in the shops of the USSR.

Taking this advantage of visiting Moscow, Ali Shen pointed out, we shall also start studying the possibility of buying from V/O Soyuzpushina enterprises which we would use later to produce ready-made clothes for sale in the Soviet Union as well as in other countries. We are also interested to buy some other Soviet goods.

Ercost POLIVANNY

FOR SOVIET RAILWAYS

After every working day 14 new railway carriages leave the gates of the enterprises in charge of the GDR transport machine-building integrated works to run on inland routes. A considerable part of them are made for export and the Soviet Union is the biggest foreign client.

At present, more than 25,000 passenger and over 33,000 refrigerator cars made in the GDR run on Soviet lines. The cars for the USSR are made with due account for the fact that they will operate in various climatic conditions under the temperature from -50° to +50° Centigrade.

Philately

Postage stamps of Soviet collectors were sent from Moscow to Calcutta for the India — USSR philatelic exhibition.

"Peoples of the World About Lenin" is the thematic collection of N. Golden from Krasnodar. It includes postage stamps of more than 50 countries, devoted to the

USSR stamps in India

founder of the world's first socialist state. Many collections reflect the theme of the great victory. Thus, the collection of Yu. Pavlov from Leningrad deals with the heroic defence of the city on the Neva River during the Great Patriotic War. A. Brodinskiy from Moscow, who worked for many years in the

friendly country, named his collection "Our Friend India". His stamps show the many-sided cooperation between our two states, India's ancient history and present-day life.

Other themes of the exhibition are: history of aviation and navigation, Olympic movement and environmental protection.